



**CITIZENS BOND REVIEW COMMISSION
HUMAN RESOURCES BUILDING, PINNACLE ROOM
7575 E. MAIN STREET
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85251
OCTOBER 3, 2002**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Bernadette Phillips-Garcia, Chairman
Steven Sagert, Vice Chairman
Larry Beckner
James Britt (arrived 5:15 PM)
Thomas Lanin
William Magoon
Gregg Maxon
Lee Tannenbaum
William Welch
Sam West

ABSENT: Monyette Dunlap-Green
Lisa Samuel
Eric Schechter
Sue Sisley

STAFF: Craig Clifford
Jeff Nichols
Art Rullo
Roger Klingler
Al Dreska
Don Penfield
Bill Exham

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Scottsdale Citizens Bond Review Commission was called to order by Chairperson Phillips-Garcia at 5:00 p.m. The presence of a quorum was noted.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Commissioner Welch requested changes to the July 11, 2002 minutes to (1) correct the spelling of his name from Welsh to Welch throughout the document, and (2) on page 5 paragraph 3, revise as follows: After the third sentence add "**Perhaps a special meeting of the Commission could have been called or a telephone survey conducted.**"

Commissioner West MOVED for approval of the July 11, 2002 Commission Minutes AS AMENDED. Commissioner Lanin SECONDED the motion, which CARRIED 8-0.

NEW BUSINESS

A. INTRODUCTION OF ART RULLO, BUDGET DIRECTOR.

Mr. Clifford introduced Art Rullo who was selected as Budget Director to replace Judy Frost after her retirement.

B. UPDATE ON BOND 2000 AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. ACTIVE PROJECTS STATUS REPORT.

Al Dreska distributed a new type of monthly report indicating the various data for each bond project and requested input from the Commission as to the format and type of data they would like to see. The data could also be sorted into a report for projects requiring Council action or perhaps a report on completed projects. He wondered what else staff could do to make these reports more meaningful for the Commission.

Commissioner West indicated he liked the new format and would like to see what other monies went into the projects other than bond money. He also requested the Commission receive reports in a timelier manner and wondered what was available on the Internet. Mr. Dreska said construction updates were posted on the city's internet site, but not amounts.

Commissioner Lanin wondered if there was a way to tell from the report whether the project was on target. Mr. Dreska said this program would not allow that.

Commissioner Tannenbaum requested the Commission receive monthly reports rather than quarterly and Mr. Dreska agreed.

Responding to Commissioner Tannenbaum, Mr. Klingler clarified that the Capital Improvement Program included lots of projects; some were funded by bonds and some were funded from other sources.

Responding to Commissioner Beckner, Mr. Dreska said this report only included active projects. Some projects would not come on line for another 3 to 5 years.

Responding to Commissioner Welch, Mr. Dreska said this monthly report would not be the only source of information and the Commission would still receive expenditure reports from Financial Services staff.

Commissioner Maxon suggested adding a tick mark on the project schedule line to indicate where the project actually was.

Commissioner Lanin said he would also like to see where the project was targeted to be and where they actually were.

Commissioner Magoon wondered what the checkmark meant that was before some projects. Mr. Dreska said those were being handled by the Capital Project Management Division. Looking over the report, a few errors were found where there was no checkmark.

C. REPORT ON THE BID OPENING AND CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE ELDORADO POOL PROJECT. COMMUNITY SERVICES WILL UPDATE THE COMMISSION ON THE PROGRESS RELATED TO THE ELDORADO POOL RENOVATION PROJECT AS WELL AS OTHER BOND 2000 PROJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

Don Penfield presented this update. A total of 5 close bids were received and the project was awarded to Sun Eagle Corp for an amount of \$4,330,000. The estimate was \$4,380,000. A request for a transfer of \$1,100,000 from unspent funds was approved by City Council for this project.

The bids for Mustang Library study room were due October 30th and the award of the contract would go before the Council on November 18. He will report back to the Commission regarding the requested \$30,000 transfer of funds for this project.

Mr. Penfield presented photos of the destruction of Eldorado Pool and the completion of the Sonoran Hills Park at Miller and Pinnacle Peak, adjacent to the school.

Mr. Penfield gave an overview of other active 2000 Bond Projects:

CAP Basin Park is in the planning stage and will be going to Council in January; completion of the project was scheduled for November of 2004.

McDowell Mountain Ranch Park and Aquatic Center - a public meeting will be held next week and staff will go before Council in January 2003 for their direction and then develop construction documents. Completion of that site will be summer of 2005.

Arabian Library was in the preliminary planning and concept design stage and will be going into a public input phase.

In regard to the Whisper Rock Park site, the purchase was in escrow and could close by next week.

Responding to a question from Commissioner Welch, Mr. Exham explained the traffic report prepared for the aquatic center. The study indicated 2,740 vehicles would leave the facility each day and the alternate plan, which was that nothing would be built, indicated there would be only 3 vehicles per day.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

Mr. Clifford discussed the current economic situation and the possible affect to Capital projects. He was very concerned about the city's ability to take on some projects and their operating costs. Many revenues were seeing their second year of down-turn. He said there would likely be a need to have a special meeting of the Bond Commission in March in order to receive their input and it with the Council in April as part of the budget process.

Commissioner Beckner discussed the Commission's obligations to achieve objectives voted upon by citizens. He felt conscientious decisions should be made in regard to economics, but public safety and transportation projects to improve quality of life should move forward.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

After discussion, it was decided the next meeting would be held on January 9, 2003 and Chairman Phillips-Garcia requested the agenda include action for a Special Meeting in March.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Commission, being duly moved and seconded, the regular meeting of the Citizens Bond Review Commission was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Dragman
Recording Secretary